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**Advisory Action**

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Examiner

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THE REPLY FILED 22 July 2003 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

**PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)]**

- a) ☒ The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) ☐ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1. ☐ A Notice of Appeal was filed on \_\_\_\_\_. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
- (a) ☐ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
  - (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);
  - (c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
  - (d) ☐ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: \_\_\_\_\_.

3. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): \_\_\_\_\_.
4. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
5. ☒ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☒ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.
6. ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
7. ☒ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) ☒ will not be entered or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

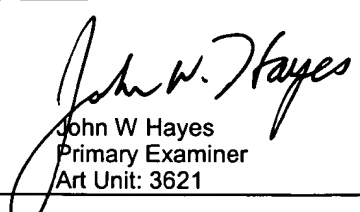
Claim(s) allowed: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) objected to: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) rejected: 1, 4-8 and 11-15.

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: \_\_\_\_\_.

8. ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
9. ☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_.
10. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: Applicant has responded to the previous Advisory Action by indicating that Downs expressly discloses that information describing the song, such as a preview is displayed at the Contents Promotion Website and is freely available to the enduser and further asserts that Downs discloses a preview of sample digital content clips which are not packaged into SC(s) but instead are integrated into the web service of the EDCS. Examiner does not disagree with this teaching of Downs, however, this does not appear to be related or correlate with the specific claim limitations since the clips disclosed by Downs are not related to a package of encrypted contents that includes both content and summary information distributed to end users. The claims recite and are limited to a scenario wherein a package of encrypted information that includes both encrypted contents along with summary information showing a summary of the contents are distributed to end users and displaying this summary information only if decoding information accompanying the encrypted contents can be utilized by the user. Examiner submits that, just because Downs discloses other features or embodiments, does not mean that Downs does not disclose the limitations of the claims as presently recited. Examiner submits that Downs does disclose the limitations of the claims since Downs discloses that metadata associated with encrypted contents is not freely available to end users since the metadata is encrypted and included in a secure container (Col. 38 line 21-Col. 39 line 20; Col. 52, lines 40-51) and further teaches that the summary information is not displayed to an end user unless it has been decrypted using the decryption information (Col. 73, lines 23-34) in the scenario where the content provider wants to charge a fee for the summary information. Examiner also notes that the clips disclosed in Downs (Col. 79 line 63-Col. 80 line 5) are not related to any encrypted content information distributed to end users and, further, that it would not make sense for the content provider to allow the possibility for an end user to access information for free that the content provider intended to protect or charge for accessing. .